

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of a Proposed Plan Amendment of Land Use Plans in Arizona for Implementation of Arizona Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Grazing Administration, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Environmental Assessment Summary**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of availability, amendment to time frames for protest period.

SUMMARY: On March 11, 1997, the Bureau of Land Management published a notice of availability of the proposed plan amendment of land use plans in Arizona for implementation of Arizona Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Grazing Administration. The publication of the Notice of Availability initiated a 30-day protest period of the proposed plan amendment. This notice serves to announce an amendment to the time frames for the protest period. Due to a delay in publishing the original **Federal Register** Notice of Availability, the protest period will not close until April 9, 1997.

DATES: Protests on the proposed decisions in the Proposed Plan Amendment for Implementation of Arizona Standards and Guidelines must be postmarked by April 9, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Protests must be sent to the Director (210); Bureau of Land Management; 1849 C Street, NW; MS-1000LS; Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Mahoney, Team Leader, Arizona State Office, 222 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004, Telephone: (602) 417-9238.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**Summary of Commission Practice Relating to Administrative Protective Orders****AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.**ACTION:** Summary of Commission practice relating to administrative protective orders.

SUMMARY: The Conference Report to the Customs and Trade Act of 1990

provided for the International Trade Commission ("Commission") to issue periodic reports, at least annually, on the status of its practice with respect to violations of its administrative protective orders ("APOs") in investigations under Title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930. This notice provides a summary of investigations of breaches for the period ending in 1996. The Commission intends that this notice will educate representatives of parties to Commission proceedings as to some specific types of APO breaches encountered by the Commission and the corresponding types of actions the Commission has taken.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail S. Usher, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, tel. (202) 205-3152. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal at (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Representatives of parties to investigations conducted under Title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930 may enter into administrative protective orders that permit them, under strict conditions, to obtain access to business proprietary information ("BPI") of other parties. See 19 U.S.C. 1677f; 19 CFR 207.7. The discussion below describes APO breach investigations that the Commission has completed including a description of actions taken in response to breaches. The discussion covers breach investigations completed during the period ending in 1996, generally with respect to antidumping and countervailing duty cases.

In past years, the notice has contained also a summary of the Commission's investigations involving violations of the "24-hour" rule, which provides that during the 24-hour period after a Commission deadline for a party submission in an antidumping or countervailing duty proceeding, the only changes to the proprietary version permitted are changes to the bracketing of BPI. See 19 CFR 207.3(c). In 1996, however, no investigations of 24-hour rule violations were completed.

In recent years, the Commission has expanded the notice to include APO breaches in other types of proceedings as well. In 1996, only one APO investigation was completed in a proceeding conducted under Section 201 of the Trade Act of 1974, and no APO investigations were completed in proceedings conducted under Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930.

Since 1991, the Commission has published annually a summary of its actions in response to violations of Commission APOs and the "24 hour" rule. See 56 FR 4846 (Feb. 6, 1991); 57 FR 12,335 (Apr. 9, 1992); 58 FR 21,991 (Apr. 26, 1993); 59 FR 16,834 (Apr. 8, 1994); 60 FR 24,880 (May 10, 1995); and 61 FR 21,203 (May 9, 1996). This notice does not provide an exclusive list of conduct that will be deemed to be a breach of the Commission's APOs, and does not bind the Commission in its future rulings.

As part of the effort to educate practitioners about the Commission's current APO practice, the Secretary of the Commission issued in April 1996 a revised edition of *An Introduction to Administrative Protective Order Practice in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Investigations* (Pub. No. 2961). This document is available upon request from the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20436, tel. (202) 205-2000.

I. In General

The current APO form for antidumping and countervailing duty investigations, which the Commission has used since March 1995, requires the applicant to swear that he or she will:

- (1) Not divulge any of the BPI obtained under this APO and not otherwise available to him, to any person other than
 - (i) Personnel of the Commission concerned with the investigation,
 - (ii) The person or agency from whom the BPI was obtained,
 - (iii) A person whose application for disclosure of BPI under this APO has been granted by the Secretary, and
 - (iv) Other persons, such as paralegals and clerical staff, who (a) are employed or supervised by and under the direction and control of the authorized applicant or another authorized applicant in the same firm whose application has been granted; (b) have a need thereof in connection with the investigation; (c) are not involved in competitive decision making for an interested party which is a party to the investigation; and (d) have submitted to the Secretary a signed Acknowledgment for Clerical Personnel in the form attached hereto (the authorized applicant shall also sign such acknowledgment and will be deemed responsible for such persons' compliance with this APO);
- (2) Use such BPI solely for the purposes of the above-captioned Commission investigation or for judicial or binational panel review of such Commission investigation;